

St Mary's Church, Chartham.

Holy Communion

(online service sheet)

Leader: Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father,
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you**
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Leader: Our Lord Jesus Christ said:
"The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel, the Lord your God is the only Lord.
You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and
with all your strength.
"The second is this: Love your neighbour as yourself.
"There is no other commandment greater than these."

All: **Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Leader: God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, Jesus Christ, to save us from our sins, to be
our advocate in heaven, and to bring us to eternal life.
Let us confess our sins, in penitence and faith, firmly resolved to keep God's commandments
and to live in love and peace with all.

All: **Almighty God, our heavenly Father,**
we have sinned against you and against our neighbour,
in thought and word and deed, through negligence,
through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, who died for us,
forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life,
to the glory of your name. Amen.

Leader: Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God. Amen**

The Collect (The special Prayer of the Day)

The Bible readings

Reader: This is the word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God**

The Talk

The Creed

All: We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth,
We believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen

Prayers of intercession

All: Merciful Father, accept these prayers
for the sake of Your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen

The Peace

Leader: Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.
Peace from His Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Hymn

Please make sure your microphone is muted

Leader: All are invited to share in this holy remembrance of God's love for us
in His son, Our lord Jesus Christ;
the young and the old, the rich and the poor,
the fearful and the confident, the lowest and the least;
sinners and saints together in communion.
Come find your place here.
Even though we are apart at this time, there are no strangers or foreigners,
only brothers and sisters in the sight of God.

Leader: The Lord is here

All: **His Spirit is with us.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts

All: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

All: **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Leader: Father, we give You thanks and praise through Your beloved Son,
Jesus Christ, Your living Word, through whom You have created all things;
who was sent by You in Your great goodness to be our Saviour.
By the power of the Holy Spirit He took flesh;
as Your Son, born of the blessed Virgin, He lived on earth and went about among us;
He opened wide His arms for us on the cross; He put an end to death by dying for us;
and revealed the resurrection by rising to new life;
so, He fulfilled Your will and won for You a holy people.

A short proper preface when appropriate

Leader: Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of Heaven,
we proclaim Your great and glorious name, forever praising You and saying:

All: **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

Leader: Lord, You are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, and according to Your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ;
Who, in the same night that He was betrayed, took bread and gave You thanks;
He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying:
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."
In the same way, after supper He took the cup and gave You thanks;
He gave it to them, saying:
"Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, Father, calling to mind His death on the cross,
His perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;
Rejoicing in His mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for His coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.
As we offer You this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before You this bread and this cup and we thank You
for counting us worthy to stand in Your presence and serve You.

All: **Send the Holy Spirit on Your people,
and gather into one in Your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Mary and all the saints,
may praise and glorify You for ever,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory
be Yours, Almighty Father, for ever and ever.**

Leader: Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

All: **Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name;
Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

Leader: We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

All: **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

Leader: Draw near to God in faith, receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and His blood which he shed for you. Eat and drink in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on Him, in your hearts, with thanksgiving.

All: **We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord,
trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies.
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table,
but you are the same Lord, whose nature is always to have mercy.
Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord,
so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink His blood,
that our sinful bodies may be made clean by His body,
and our souls washed through His most precious blood,
and that we may evermore dwell in Him, and He in us. Amen.**

We share Communion together

A prayer after Communion

All: **Almighty God, we thank You for feeding us
with the body and blood of Your Son Jesus Christ.
Through Him we offer You our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.
Send us out, in the power of Your Spirit, to live and work to Your praise and glory.
Amen.**

The Grace

All: **May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all,
now and evermore. Amen.**

The Blessing

Leader: The love of the Lord Jesus draw you to Himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen you in His service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts;
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be amongst us and remain with us
now and evermore Amen

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All: **In the name of Christ. Amen**